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Title: METHOD FOR COATING MEDICAL IMPLANTS)	

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2001 (Paper No. 3). Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the claims:

27. (Amended) A coated implant comprising an implant and a coating, wherein said coating comprises magnesium ions, calcium ions, and phosphate ions and wherein said coating induces formation of bone cells from progenitor cells.

30. (Amended) The implant of claim 29 wherein the implant is treated by sand-blasting, scoring, polishing, or grinding.